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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: U.S.-KENYA BILATERAL NEGOTIATIONS

REF: (A) STATE 130040, (B) NAIROBI 7146

- 1. FOLLOWING TRANSMISSION OF REFTEL B, PAN AM DIRECTOR PRO-VIDED EMB WITH COPY OF LATEST COMMUNICATION FROM MINISTRY OF POWER AND COMMUNICATIONS ON SUBJECT FIFTH FREEDOM RIGHTS FOR INTERNATIONAL AIRLINES SERVICING NAIROBI.
- 2. TEXT OF LETTER DATED JUNE 6 FOLLOWS: QUOTE FURHTER TO THIS OFFICE LETTER OF 28TH MAY, 1977 OF EVEN REFERENCE, I WOULD LIKE TO CLARIFY THE POSITION OF TRAFFIC BETWEEN POINTS BEYOND KENYA WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN THE SUBJECT OF PREVIOUS BILATERAL ARRANGEMENTS WITH KENYA.

AS YOU ARE AWARE, TO DATE YOU HAVE EXERCISED FIFTH FREEDOM UPLIFT RIGHTS UNDER THE EXISTING AIR SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH THE EAST AFRICAN AERONAUTICAL AUTHORITIES. DUE TO THE BREAKUP OF THE EAST AFRICAN AIRWAYS, THESE RIGHTS CAN NO LONGER BE EXERCISED AS THEN EXISTED. THIS POSITION HAS BEEN CLARIFIED IN THE MINISTERAL STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE MINISTER FOR POWER AND COMMUNICATIONS AND LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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THE OFFICIAL KENYA GOVERNMENT COMMUNIQUE TO YOUR GOVERNMENT FROM THE MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.

THE INTENTION OF THE LETTER ADDRESSED TO YOU ON 28TH MAY, 1977 WAS NOT INTENDED TO STOP YOUR SERVICES TO POINTS BEYOND KENYA, RATHER IT WAS TO STRESS THE NEED FOR YOU ENTER INTO IMMEDIATE DISUSSIONS TO AGREE ON

MUTUALLY BENEFICIAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR FUTURE OPERATIONS. I WOULD LIKE THEREFORE TO STATE HERE THAT YOU WILL CONTINUE TO OPERATE AS BEFORE BUT ANY OPERATIONS COVERED UNDER THIS ARRANGEMENT WILL BE THE SUBJECT OF IMMEDIATE NEGOTIATIONS TO AGREE ON THE EXERCISE OF FIFTH FREEDOM RIGHTS. SUCH AGREED ARRANGEMENT WILL BE RE RETROSPECTIVE FROM 1ST FEBRUARY, 1977. ALREADY SOME OF YOU ARE AWARE OF THE KENYA GOVERNMENT REQUIREMENT IN THIS RESPECT BUT THOSE OF YOU TO WHOM THE POSITION IS NOT CLEAR YOU ARE FREE TO GET IN TOUCH WITH THIS OFFICE FOR ANY ASSISTANCE THAT YOU REQUIRE. UNQUOTE.

- 3. EMB HAS NOT YET RECEIVED OFFICIAL COMMUNIQUE ALLEGEDLY FORTHCOMING FROM MINISTRY OF FOREIGN AFFAIRS.
- 4. PAN AM OFFICE DIRECTOR RECEIVED INSTRUCTIONS FROM AIRLINE HEADQUARTERS TO SEEK CLARIFICATION OF LETTER FROM MINISTRY PERMANENT SECRETARY BUT INFORM HIM THAT BILATERAL DISCUSSIONS ON PAN AM TRAFFIC RIGHTS MUST TAKE PLACE ONLY AT GOVERNMENT LEVEL. PRINCIPAL QUESTION IS WHAT WILL HAPPEN TO PAN AM'S WEST AFRICAN ROUTE TO NAIROBI.
- 5. NAIROBI PRESS REPORTED JUNE 9 THAT KENYA AIRWAYS DELEGATION LEFT FOR INDIA TO HOLD TALKS WITH AIR INDIA ON POLL ARRANGEMENTS AND OTHER AREAS OF COOPERATION. ACCORDING NEWSPAPER, KENYA TEAM WOULD THEN PROCEED TO PARIS, WHERE SIMILAR CONSULATIONS WILL BE HELD WITH AIR FRANCE.

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